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Weather A Challenge

Some Delays Anticipated On Steps, Stonework

Photo at right: Work crews smooth new concrete poured in to east step corner forms on Nov. 27.



Some slight delays are anticipated this week and next on the east steps replacement work since the weather has decided to act like winter instead of the Banana Belt that we have enjoyed so far. According to **Jan Frew**, Division of Public Works, the sealant for the exterior stonework repair can't be applied if the stone is a certain temperature or if it freezes the following evening. This in turn will cause a delay in the removal of the scaffolding on the south side of the building. The goal is to remove the scaffolding from the south side of the Capitol by mid-December at the latest.

Also, the center section of the steps that needs to be re-poured will be delayed until after the weekend of December 8 and 9. This is when the workers will demolish the newly finished steps because they do not meet required standards. By doing the demolition of the steps on the weekend, it will hopefully add a little "peace and quiet" and allow staff to avoid jackhammers for the amount of time that the demolition will take. However, if you plan to work on that weekend, be sure to bring your earplugs.

Next week watch for a bio of one of the workers – you see their faces on a daily basis when you are in the Capitol, and we will tell you a little more about one of them.

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